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REMARKS

Examiner Interviews

Applicants note that the Examiner indicated in the Restriction Requirement mailed April 20, 2006 that no claims were generic (see third paragraph on each of pages 3 and 4). Applicants disagreed and two separate phone calls to the Examiner were made to address this point. On August 18, 2006, Birgit Millauer and Jeff Bernhardt spoke with the Examiner and it was agreed that claims 162 was in fact generic. On January 19, 2007, Jeff Bernhardt spoke with the Examiner and it was agreed that claim 165 was in fact generic.

Species Election

The Examiner has indicated that the Applicants' September 20, 2006 response was not fully responsive to the species election requirement of the April 20, 2006 Office Action. Specifically, the Examiner has required an election of species for each moiety in formula (VIII) as recited in claim 165.

$$(\beta A)_{n4} - R^2 - (\beta A)_{n2}$$
 $(Lk)_x$
 $(\beta A)_{n3} - R^1 - (\beta A)_{n1}$
 $(Lk)_y$

Accordingly, the Applicants make the following species elections.

R1 and R2: SEQ ID NO: 209 (as previously elected in Applicants response of Sept. 20, 2006)

nl: zero
n2: zero

n3: zero

n4: <u>zero</u>

y: zero

x: one (1)

Lk: lysine amide

As described above, claim 165 is generic. As such, upon allowance of claim 165 Applicants will request consideration of claims to the non-elected species. Serial No.:

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CONCLUSION

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